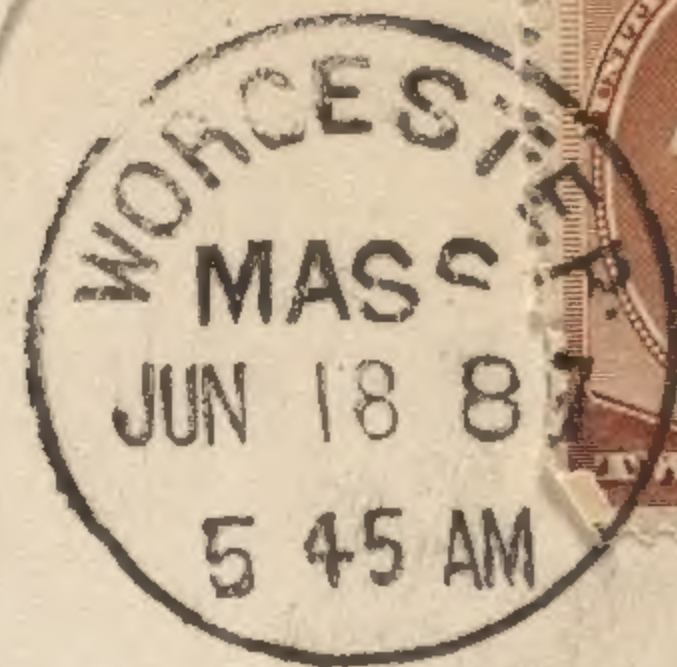


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Laird?*



*Rev. Samuel May
Leicester, Mass.*

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Worcester, June 7, 1887.

Rev. Samuel May,
Dear Sir:

I herewith send proof of a portion of Mr. Johnson's paper to you in accordance with his request. Please return them to me with your suggestions at your earliest convenience.

In regard to the paper, I am somewhat troubled in getting a better quality of the right size that is not much more expensive. I inclose a sample of what we use for the Proceedings. It is, I think, of quite good quality.

I am, very respectfully yours
Franklin P. Rice

Please direct:

387 Main St.

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* I shall be glad to have your opinion of it.
* like to settle; and I send with it
~~the specimen~~ ^{the sample} of the paper wh. Mr. B.,
proposes to use for our pamphlet.
I am entirely satisfied with the
paper*. It is far better than I feared
(partly from the price to be charged)
that he would use. - F. J. G.
thinks that 250 copies will be
ample for our use; so I have written
to Mr. Rice, ordering that number.

I have carefully read the
proof, taken from 3 galleys. It
is very clean. - I saw a typog-
raphic error or two, and a little doubtful
punctuation; - which I marked, ~~in~~
deference to your better right, & the
printer's large experience.

"Craftiness", after all, doesn't
quite carry the force of your word!

I am surprised that none of us
thought of taking up Thayer on his
assertion that "the mission [of the
Emigrant Aid Society] was to dispute
with Slavery every square foot of

land exposed to its control."

It never undertook, or
pretended to undertake, so far
as I know or believe, anything
of the kind. It undertook to
pre-occupy the single territory
of Kansas. It might indeed
have subsequently extended
its area, if successful; ~~but~~
but I have never known that it
announced any such purpose
or "mission". E. Thayer, I
have understood, is not regarded in
Worcester as a man careful
of the truth of his statements.

Ther. Soc.
June 7.